

DECLARATION

As the below-named inventors, we declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below under our names.


We believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the invention entitled "INPUT STAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD HAVING A VARIABLE REFERENCE VOLTAGE," which is described and claimed in the foregoing specification and for which a patent is sought.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein (if any).

We acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to patentability and examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.

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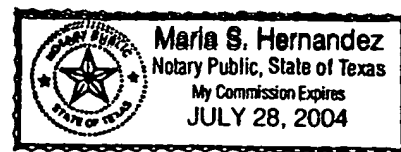
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Kallol Mazumder and Scott Smith Attorney Docket No.: 501038.01
Filed : Concurrently herewith
Title : INPUT STAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD HAVING A VARIABLE REFERENCE
VOLTAGE

Box Patent Application
Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 AND 3.73(b) AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Sir:

The undersigned, being Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment filed concurrently herewith, hereby elects, under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventors.

Assignee hereby appoints EDWARD W. BULCHIS, Reg. No. 26,847; PAUL T. MEIKLEJOHN, Reg. No. 26,569; GLENN P. RICKARDS, Reg. No. 29,428; DALE C. BARR, Reg. No. 40,498; KIMTON N. ENG, Reg. No. 43,605; BRIAN C. PARK, Reg. No. 45,519; MARK W. ROBERTS, Reg. No. 46,160; STEVEN H. ARTERBERRY, Reg. No. 46,314; PAUL F. RUSYN, Reg. No. 42,118; ANDREW F. PRATT, Reg. No. P-48,985; FRANK J. BOZZO, Reg. No. 36,756; JAMES ACKLEY, Reg. No. 45,695; RONALD BROWN, Reg. No. 29,016; DAVID BRUHN, Reg. No. 36,762; MARK CARLSON, Reg. No. 27,105; KEVIN CHAPPLE, Reg. No. 44,072; W. ROBINSON CLARK, Reg. No. 41,530; SHANE COLEMAN, Reg. No. 44,623; GREGORY DURBIN, Reg. No. 42,503; DANIEL FISHER, Reg. No. 34,162; DAVID FRONEK, Reg. No. 25,678; ANTHONY GANGEMI, Reg. No. 42,565; MICHAEL GILCHRIST, Reg. No. 40,619; THERESA HANKES, Reg. No. 45,501; JOHN HARROP, Reg. No. 41,817; BRAD HATTENBACH, Reg. No. 42,642; REED HEIMBECHER, Reg. No. 36,353; CRAIG HEMENWAY, Reg. No. 44,759; STUART HEMPHILL, Reg. No. 28,084;

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), the undersigned duly authorized designee of Assignee certifies that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed, specifically the Assignment to MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC., filed concurrently herewith for recording, a copy of which is attached hereto, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC.
ASSIGNEE

8-27-01
DATE

[Signature]
Michael L. Lynch
Chief Patent Counsel

Enclosure:
Copy of Assignment

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Date: _____

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FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to Micron Technology, Inc. (the "Assignee"), a corporation of Delaware, having a place of business at 8000 South Federal Way, Boise, Idaho 83716-9632, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith and is entitled "INPUT STAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD HAVING A VARIABLE REFERENCE VOLTAGE"; such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States of America;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

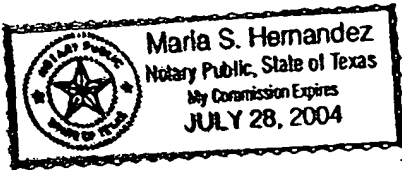
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Date: 8/20/2001

STATE OF TEXAS)
County of Collin) ss.

BEFORE ME, this 20th day of August, 2001, personally appeared the above-named individual, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

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Maria Hernandez
Notary or Consular Officer
My Commission Expires July 28, 2004

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